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Applicant

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: FUNCTIONALISED SILICON SURFACES, AND

METHOD FOR THEIR PRODUCTION

Art Unit

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Examiner

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.